

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

(Sole Inventor)

I, Craig Rubendall, hereby declare that I am a citizen of the United States of America and a resident of 200 Rosaler Court, Morrisville, North Carolina 27560; that I have reviewed and understand the content of the attached specification, including the claims (Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue Docket No. 343355-600023), and I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed therein and for which a patent is sought on the invention or discovery entitled

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and that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination or patentability of this application, in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby designate the following as my mailing address and telephone number:

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and appoint each of the following as my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

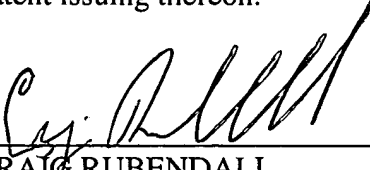
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all having the above designated address.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

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punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.


CRAIG RUBENDALL

Date 10/31/2000

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ASSIGNMENT
(Sole)

WHEREAS, new and useful improvements and inventions have been made by the undersigned in

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and are the subject of a patent application prepared for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and executed by the undersigned on the date indicated below in the appropriate space to the right of the signature of the undersigned, which application is further identified as Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue Docket No. 343355-600023.

WHEREAS, SAS Institute Inc., a corporation of North Carolina, having a principal place of business at SAS Campus Drive, Cary, North Carolina 27513, hereinafter referred to as "assignee", is desirous of acquiring all right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to, and under said improvements and inventions and patent rights therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, all right, title, and interest in the United States and throughout the world, in, to, and under said improvements and inventions and all patents, patent applications, patent rights, and inventor's certificates thereof, therefor, and therein, including without limitation said application for patent in the United States, all divisions and continuations thereof, all patents which may be granted thereon, all reissues and extensions thereof, all right to sue for past infringement thereunder, all patents which may be granted to said improvements and inventions by states or nations other than the United States, or by other authority, entity, or organization, and all applications therefor, have been and are hereby sold, assigned, transferred, and delivered unto assignee, its successors and assigns; and it is covenanted and agreed by the undersigned, and for executors, administrators, and legal representatives of the undersigned, that at assignee's request any and all applications, affidavits, assignments, and other instruments will be made, executed, and delivered as may be necessary or desirable to secure for or vest in assignee, its successors, or assigns any improvement, inventions, right, title, interest, application, patent, patent right, or other right or property covered by this assignment, and the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby requested and authorized to issue any and all United States patents granted on any of said applications to assignee as owner of the entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under the same, and appropriately empowered officials of foreign countries are hereby authorized to issue any letters patent granted on any of said applications to assignee as owner of the entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this assignment has been executed below by the undersigned:

Craig Rubendall
CRAIG RUBENDALL

10/31/2000
Date I signed this assignment

10/31/2000
Date I signed Declaration or Oath

Post Office Address: 200 Rosaler Court
Morrisville, North Carolina 27560

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

} ss.

The above named CRAIG RUBENDALL, known to me, appeared before me this 31st day of October, 2000, and acknowledged that the foregoing instrument was executed as his free act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Denise O. Zunderbunke
Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

My Commission Expires 12-02-2005